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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended): A cold die steel excellent in characteristics of suppressing dimensional change, consisting essentially of including, by mass%,

carbon (C): 0.7% or more and less than 1.6%,

silicon (Si): 0.5 to 3.0%,

manganese (Mn): 0.1 to 3.0%,

phosphor (P): less than 0.05% including 0%,

sulfur (S): 0.01 to 0.12%,

chromium (Cr): 7.0 to 13.0%,

one or two elements selected from the group consisting of molybdenum (Mo) and tungsten (W): amounts satisfying the formula: (Mo + (W/2)) = 0.5 to 1.7%,

vanadium (V): less than 0.7% including 0%,

nickel (Ni): 0.3 to 1.5%,

copper (Cu): 0.1 to 1.0%,-and

aluminum (Al): 0.1 to 0.7%, and

the balance being iron and unavoidable impurities,

wherein amounts of nickel and aluminum satisfy the formula: Ni/Al = 1 to 3.7.

Claim 2 (canceled).